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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 8 and 23.

Identification of prior art discussed: Greenberg.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: At preliminary review, it seems the proposed amendment to method claim 23 has overcome the cited prior art. As to the apparatus claims, it was suggested to the Applicant to add more structural limitation(s) to the claims in order to distinct the invention from the prior art. Further consideration and search will be conducted once an amendment is officially filed.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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